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The general meeting held at the Ministry of Justice concerning the new laws shall hereafter be called the Supreme Judicial Council. It has been proposed by the Ministry of Justice and approved by President Abdullah.

✓ Ghulam Ali Karimi, formerly a Justice of the Supreme Court has been appointed as a member of the Supreme Judicial Council.

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The Deputy Minister for Political Affairs in the Afghan Foreign Office Mr. Waseed Abdullah met in his office at 9 a.m. yesterday with Vigdor Ivanovich Kozlov, Head of the Department of Middle East in the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Soviet Ambassador in Kabul, Alexander Puzanov, was also present at the meeting.

The Afghan Ambassador in New Delhi, Dr. Abdul Zaher, returned to Kabul last evening.

According to a proposal made by the Ministry of Mines and Industries and the approval of the President of the Republic, Mr. Abdul Wahid, formerly President of the Juchoorat Cement Factory has been appointed President of the Afghan Foreign.

The Afghan Red Crescent Society has sent a telegram of sympathy to Los Angeles concerning the earthquake of Sept 19 and the loss of life and property inflicted by the earthquake. During the last week, 67 persons including 300 killed and 1000 were lost their homes in Mexico.

The Juchoorat, government daily, Peshawar, August 18

The paper says editorially that two days ago the U. Security Council condemned the hijacking of a Lebanese airplane by Israel. Following this, the World Peace Council asked the Security Council to push this condemnation. It also requested the Security Council to prevent Israel from future violations through sanctions. But Israel has observed none of the UN resolutions since the UN Security Council issued a resolution on November 22, 1947. This is due to the fact that the very existence of Israel is based on a pretext to create a colonial nucleus for the usurpation of the territories of thousands of Palestinians. Blocked by the American Empire Israel has been ignoring

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established international practices. It will be appropriate for all nations concerned not to allow one Israeli airplane to fly freely outside its air space in the wake of its destruction. The Arab states should be in order to force it to observe international morality. But Israel has not been observing the Security Council resolutions nor the world public opinion. Should the big powers want to see peace strengthened in this part of the world, they ought to pressure Israel economically to respect the Security Council resolutions and principles of universal human rights. However, at present, on the one hand Israel is condemned in the UN, on the other, it is sold combat airplanes and other military hardware. This way, Israel will surely not observe the Security Council resolutions and will not stop aerial violations. It is hoped that the supporters of Israel will pressure it to respect the UN Security Council resolution of November 22, 1967 and thus restore the rights of the Arabs.

In its August 19 issue, the Junbooriat has lauded editorially the decision made recently by the government to supervise the pistachio woods through helicopters so that the pistachio nuts are not picked unripe. The paper says the Afghan pistachio enjoys a good demand on the international markets due to its quality owing to the country's unique climate. Picking the nuts unripe will hurt the Afghan pistachio reputation abroad considerably. Previously, a few local influential used to violate the "shoal" - the deadline as far as picking the nuts were concerned. They were encouraged in this by the authorities under the former regime. But the republican regime will not allow vested interests to reign supreme and will handcuff the public property looters. The police will be hereafter looking after the pistachio woods through helicopters and any violator will be brought to justice. Now the Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation should consider the possibilities of increasing pistachio trees in suitable areas to boost the pistachio outputs. Now that public interests are gaining upper hand against those of the indi-

virtually, the people should try to foster and enhance public properties.

Dr. Mohammed Asad, a former Afghan Ambassador, writes in his article on page 3 of the Journal of the People that the people of Afghanistan have managed to change darkness into light in the life of the nation must be extremely careful, impartial and just because maintaining the new order and improving upon it will be difficult indeed. Actually the real task is to be started hereafter because it will be calling for organisational capabilities. The contest which has just begun should be carried out relentlessly but wisely, indefatigably but resolutely. Any mistake will be unpardonable or dangerous. The governor and the governed should realise the realities and not be swayed by their emotions. There is no room left for personal rule or actions emanating from various complexes. The rank and file should support the devoted leader and the republican order wholeheartedly so that Afghanistan will be able to occupy its appropriate place in the international community. The youth should not express their personal emotions in the form of propaganda and thus add to public anxiety. They must know that they owe their happiness to the glory of their motherland. Surely the ground is prepared today for the organisational activities of the youth to afford the honest young men the opportunity to be of service to their country. This will no more be the speciality of a special class. The youth should not be discouraged because the present leadership will help them in a healthy and national movement. The previous restrictions and self-interests will be abandoned. The people ought to realise that solo games will not result in victory. Retrogression is impossible. Progress has burned all the bridges behind. There is no alternative but to advance. This advance should be organised according to the march of times. Let us all get united to fulfill the national aspirations and realise that regrets about the past will not help anyone. Time is short. Circumspection should replace subjective judgements. Vexatiousness is dangerous. The margin of errors is narrowed down by second guesses. Have faith that the present leadership

is following this kind of policy and therefore it will not be able to make any mistakes.

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